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1. [] Met with Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on the New York Times Binder article of 28 February 1974 and the Proxmire letter to the DCI and press release of Friday, 1 March 1974. Preston expressed the opinion on behalf of Chairman Mahon that he would hope the Director would be able to resist the Proxmire request.

With regard to the civil use of photographic systems, Preston told me that the Chairman has not made a final determination since meeting with Messrs. Colby and Cary. It will be necessary to await the Chairman's determination before any further action is taken.

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2. [] Talked to Bill Hogan, Counsel, Intelligence Subcommittee, House Armed Services Committee, and told him that our preliminary check has not revealed any additional Gaynor memoranda. Hogan said he would talk to Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel of the full Committee

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[] concerning the memoranda. I thanked Hogan for his assistance.

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3. [] I called Sven Kraemer, National Security Council staff, to discuss the NSC position to S. 2239, which prohibits the use of private funds by the Government to influence foreign elections. He supported our position and expressed concern that OMB had cleared the State report without the formal approval of the NSC. He agreed that it would be best not to seek to revise State's report since that would serve to highlight those activities requiring protection. He concurred in the revision of the Justice report and requested that we provide him a copy of our letter to OMB and that they will submit their report to OMB supporting our position.

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